



# UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/688,441	10/16/2000	Bayard S. Webb	0112300/141	1896

29159 7590 12/26/2006  
BELL, BOYD & LLOYD LLC  
P. O. BOX 1135  
CHICAGO, IL 60690-1135

EXAMINER
----------

MCCULLOCH JR, WILLIAM H

ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
----------	--------------

3714

MAIL DATE	DELIVERY MODE
-----------	---------------

12/26/2006

PAPER

**Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.**



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Commissioner for Patents  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
[www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov)

**Letter Withdrawing a Notice of Defective Non-Compliant Appeal Brief**

The Notice of Non-Compliant Defective Appeal Brief mailed December 01, 2006 was sent in error, and is hereby withdrawn. The application is being forwarded to the Examiner for appropriate action.

  
Lorenda Hood  
Patent Appeals Specialist

(571)272-1751  
Telephone Number